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Applicant: Douglas J. Hilton

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Serial No.: 09/532,263

Art Unit: 1646

Filed: March 22, 2000

Docket: 10296A

For: NUCLEIC ACID ENCODING
α CHAIN OF HUMAN IL-11
RECEPTOR

Dated: December 31, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 5, 2003 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicant respectfully submits the following response for entry in the above-identified case.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

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Dated: December 31, 2003


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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.

In Re Application Of: **Douglas J. Hilton**

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 5, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: December 5, 2003 until: January 5, 2003

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	11 -	23 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 -	5 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$110.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$110.00

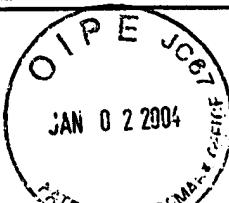
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of \$110.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$0.00

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-1013/SSMP

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-1013/SSMP


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